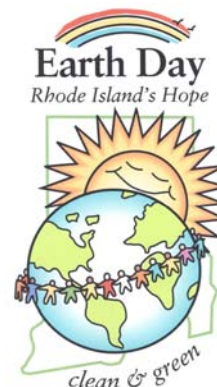


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EARTH DAY RI ANNOUNCES SCHOLARSHIP

PROVIDENCE - *Earth Day RI* announces that it will award one \$1,500 scholarship memorializing the late professor, Mark Gould, Ph.D., for his work in marine biology, which he integrated to the practical realms of business and environmental policy. The scholarship fund was established in honor of Professor Gould for college students from Rhode Island pursuing environmental studies and/or environmental science at an institution of higher education.

Scholarship information and application forms are available through local financial aid offices and are also posted at <http://www.dem.ri.gov/earthday/enviroed.htm>. Applications must be received no later than Friday, March 16th, 2007, at 4 pm.

Earth Day RI supports and promotes year round environmental education and awareness in the Ocean State. The organization encourages Rhode Islanders to raise their environmental consciousness by committing to "Take 3" steps to improve their environment. "Take 3" is a call to action which suggests dozens of ways to save energy, conserve water, reduce waste and respect nature. For further information about "Take 3" and other Earth Day RI-sponsored programs and activities, please visit www.earthdayri.org.